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MIDWEST LIVESTOCK REVIEW and RANGE AND FEEDLOT SALES

Prices of slaughter steers and heifers for the week were uneven, but generally steady. Salable receipts at the 12 markets during the week in review at 242,000 head increased 11 percent over the previous week and the largest in about eleven months. The number of steers and heifers sold out of first hands for slaughter at the seven markets totaled 106,800 head the largest since early September but 8,900 head below the corresponding week a year ago. Slaughter cows sold steady to $1.00 higher. Seasonally large supplies of feeder cattle and calves moved at steady to 50¢ higher prices. Barrows and gilts sold steady to 25¢ lower at western Corn Belt markets and 25-75¢ lower in the eastern part of the area. Slaughter lambs were steady to $1.00 higher.

SLAUGHTER CATTLE AND CALVES - Even though receipts at the 12 markets were liberal this week, no major price break occurred as fairly uniform day to day marketings and substantial price gains for steer and heifer beef the previous week were factors helping to hold prices nearly comparable to the previous week's advance. Slaughter steers and heifers sold mostly steady except 25-50¢ lower at Omaha, and strong to 50¢ higher at Kansas City. Heifers closed 25¢ higher at Chicago. The supply of steers over 1200# was increased and weight again became a price determining factor. Cows closed steady to $1.00 higher, mostly steady to 50¢ up under the influence of higher prices on cow beef. Bulls were steady and vealers at St. Paul and St. Louis steady to $1.00 higher. The supply at most points was comprised of Good and Choice slaughter steers and heifers, except at Kansas City where feeders ran 62 percent. Cows accounted for 10% of the twelve market receipts.

Slaughter steers: At Chicago, loadlots Prime 1200-1400# brought $32.00-32.50 with load 1340# at $32.75 and load 1520# $33.00. Bulk high-Choice and mixed Choice and Prime 1175-1400# in Chicago $30.50-32.00. At other points high-Choice and few Prime 1000-1350# brought $29.50-30.25. Bulk Choice cashed at $27.50-29.50 and up to $31.00 for loadlots over 1200# in Chicago. Most Good sold from $24.50-28.00.

Slaughter heifers: Two loads Prime 1077-1130# brought $29.25-29.50 in Chicago with high-Choice and mixed Choice and Prime 950-1050# at $28.50-28.75. At other points Choice brought $25.75-28.00; Good $23.00-26.25.

Cows: Utility and Commercial closed at $14.25-16.50, few head $16.75-17.00; Canner and Cutter mostly $11.50-14.50.

FEEDER CATTLE AND CALVES - The marketward movement of cattle and calves from range and pastures was in full swing and receipts at terminal markets swelled to the largest volume thus far this season. Receipts included a liberal number of Choice offerings and many shipments carried varying percents of Fancy grade. Yearlings continued to make up a large percent of supplies but marketings of calves were noticeably increased. Favorable weather conditions, abundant supplies of grain feeds and good late pasture conditions in many areas all were factors prompting a wide-spread demand. Current slaughter steer and heifer prices are $3.00-4.00 higher than a year ago and at levels which encouraged a fairly aggressive demand for feedlot replacements. Thus, even though supplies were liberal, trading generally was fairly active. Calves were strong to 50¢ higher, other feeder classes somewhat uneven but mostly steady.

Feeder steers: Good and Choice 800-1050# $22.50-27.00. Not many exceeded $26.50 but several loads 885-900# included at $27.00 and a few Choice 800# reached $27.50. Choice and Fancy 748# $29.65. Few loads mixed Choice and Fancy 600-650# $30.00-31.00. Good and Choice 550-750# ranged $24.00-29.50, many Choice 600-700# included at $28.00-29.00. Medium and mixed Medium and Good 550-750# $20.00-24.50.

Feeder heifers: Good and Choice 525-750# chiefly $22.00-27.00. Not many were a kind to exceed $26.50 but load Choice 730# included at $26.50.

Feeder calves: Moderate number Choice and mixed Choice and Fancy 300-475# steers $34.00-39.00. Other Choice 300-550# $28.00-33.50. Good and mixed Good and Choice largely $25.50-31.00. Choice and mixed Choice and Fancy heifer calves $27.00-33.00, load 344# $35.00.

HOGS - Terminal Markets - The twelve market supply of hogs estimated at 378,000 head was the largest for any week of the year and 25 percent larger than the previous week's run. Barrows and gilts above 240# were seasonally increased and the average weight of this class was expected to average 2-3# heavier at the eight markets. The liberal supply coupled with lower dressed prices produced a bearish trade especially for weights over 240#. For the week, barrows and gilts in the western Corn Belt area were steady to 25¢ lower and at eastern Corn Belt markets 25-75¢ lower. Sows were steady to 25¢ lower, excluding St. Louis and Indianapolis which were largely 50¢ lower. Sows comprised 10 percent of the eight-market receipts.

Barrows and gilts: Closing sales U. S. 1-2, 190-240# $16.75-17.50, largely $16.75-17.25, up to $17.75 Chicago. No. 1-3, 190-260# closed at $16.50-17.00, largely $16.75-17.00.

Sows: U. S. 1-2, 250-300# closed at $16.00-16.25. No. 1-3, 270-400# $14.75-15.75, down to $14.50 at Indianapolis. No. 2-3, 400-

550# $14.50-15.25.

Feeder pigs at St. Paul were steady to 50¢ lower with Choice 120-160# selling at $15.50-16.00. At Sioux City prices were steady with Good and Choice 130-170# bringing $15.25-16.25.

Interior Iowa-Southern Minnesota receipts totaled 382,000 compared with 382,000 a week ago and 369,000 a year ago. U. S. 1-3 200-250# weights made up the bulk of barrows and gilts marketed. Sows estimated 8 percent of receipts. Demand generally good. Prices for barrows and gilts mostly 25¢ lower. Sows weak to 35¢ lower, mostly 25¢ lower.

Barrows and gilts: On Friday, U. S. 1-3 200-240#, $16.00-16.50, moderate volume No. 1-2 $16.50-16.75.

Sows: U. S. 1-3 270-400#, $14.50-15.75, few No. 1-2 270-300# $15.75-16.15; No. 2-3 400-550#, $13.00-15.00.

Interior Illinois - Receipts totaled 130,600 head compared 131,000 last week and 119,600 a year ago. For the week, barrows and gilts sold steady to 50¢ lower. Sows closed steady to 50¢ lower.

Barrows and gilts: On Friday, U. S. 1-3 190-240# $16.00-16.75. Mostly $16.15-16.65. Sorted No. 1-2 200-230# $16.75-17.10, No. 1-3 240-270# $15.75-16.00.

Sows: U. S. 1-3 250-350# $14.75-15.50; few $15.75-15.85. No. 1-3 350-450# $13.75-14.75. No. 2-3 450-550# $12.75-13.75. No. 2-3 550-600# $12.25-13.00.

SHEEP AND LAMBS - Receipts at the 12 markets totaled 120,000 head, compared with 135,000 last week and 139,000 a year ago. For the week, slaughter lambs sold steady to $1.00 higher, except 50¢ lower at Indianapolis. Slaughter ewes sold mostly steady, but were 50-75¢ higher at Denver. Feeder lambs were steady to 50¢ lower.

Wooled slaughter lambs: Most Choice and Prime 85-110# $19.25-21.00. At Denver, Choice and Prime 84-114# $21.10-22.15, mostly Choice $19.65-21.50, Good and Choice $19.10-19.80. At other markets, most Choice 75-110# $18.00-20.00, mixed Good and Choice $17.00-18.50, Good $15.00-17.00.

Shorn slaughter lambs: Choice and Prime 85-109# No. 1 to fall shorn pelts $19.50-20.50, bulk Choice No. 3 to fall shorn 82-116# $18.00-19.50, few Good and Choice $17.00-18.50.

Slaughter ewes: Cull to Good wooled and shorn $3.50-7.00.

Feeder lambs: Choice and Fancy 60-85# westerns $17.00-19.00. At Denver and Sioux City Fancy 60-72# $19.15-19.70. Good and Choice native and western lambs $14.00-17.50.

Interior Iowa-Southern Minnesota area sheep and lamb receipts totaled 19,600 head, compared 18,400 last week and 19,600 a year ago. Bulk of supply was slaughter lambs with around 25 percent carrying shorn No. 1 and 2 pelts. Slaughter lambs closed mostly 50¢ higher for the week. Slaughter ewes were steady to weak.

Slaughter lambs: Wooled and shorn with No. 1 and 2 pelts Choice and Prime 85-110# $18.00-19.00 delivered and few loads with an over-night stand $19.00-19.50. Four loads Choice and Prime lambs with an over-night stand, stipulated weight, and guaranteed yield $20.00. Good and Choice wooled and shorn No. 1 and 2 pelts $16.50-18.50.

Slaughter ewes: Cull to Good shorn $3.00-5.50, few Cull $2.00-3.00.

RANGE AND FEEDLOT SALES

ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA AND UTAH - Slaughter steers moderately active, heifers rather slow, prices mostly steady. Feeder cattle and calves very limited, few sales steady. Slaughter lambs also very limited with few sales in California steady. Note: Unless otherwise specified, all sales for delivery within 10 days.

Slaughter steers: Most sales current through November delivery. California and Arizona, 11,425 mostly Choice 900-1200# $25.90-27.00; 3,800 Good and Choice 900-1200# $25.35-25.90; 3,100 mostly Good 900-1200# $24.25-25.25; 1,400 Standard and Good 900-1200# $23.00-24.50.

Slaughter heifers: California-Arizona, 1,400 mostly Choice 775-925# $25.00-25.75, 200 Good to mostly Choice 950-1050# $24.00-24.50. Note: Unless otherwise stated, all above sales net weight f.o.b. feedlot after 4 or 5 percent shrink.

Feeder cattle: Steers, 240 Choice 375-450# calves $28.00-30.30; 1,225 mostly Choice 725-1000# $25.15-25.90, fed 60-90 days. 950 Good and Choice 535-720# steers $23.40-26.70. Heifers: 180 Choice 400-600# $22.00-25.00. Mixed steers and heifers: 180 Choice 400-485# calves, steers $27.00-28.00, heifers $25.00-26.00. Note: Unless otherwise stated, all above sales net weight after none to 3 percent shrink depending on distance to weighing points.

Slaughter lambs: 3,450 Choice, few Prime 100-106# shorn with fall shorn, No. 1 and 2 pelts $20.00-20.50. Note: Unless otherwise stated, all sales lambs overnight stand or 4 percent shrink.

COLORADO, SOUTHERN WYOMING, WESTERN KANSAS AND WESTERN NEBRASKA - Steers and heifers active, fully steady. Feeder cattle and calves under 600# mostly steady, heavier feeders 50¢ lower. Slaughter lambs sold 50¢-$1.00 higher.

Slaughter steers: Colorado, 3,580 mostly Choice 1000-1200# $27.75-28.65; 525 mixed Good and Choice 975-1150# $27.00-27.50; 150 Good 1075-1125# $23.50-25.50. All slaughter

cattle sales 4 percent shrink and delivered to packing plants.

Slaughter heifers: Colorado, 100 Choice 1025# mixed steers and heifers $27.40; 8,500 mostly Choice 850-1000# $26.25-27.25, some f.o.b. feedlot 4 percent shrink.

Feeder cattle: Nebraska, 2,500 Choice and Fancy 650-800# steers $25.00-27.50; 300 Fancy 675-750# $28.00-29.00. Wyoming, 550 Choice 675-725# steers $26.00-26.25; 305 mixed Good and Choice 650# $24.00-24.25; 1,300 Good and Choice 575-675# heifers $22.50-26.00. Colorado, 1,200 Good to mostly Choice 585-775# steers $25.25-26.75.

Calves: Nebraska and Colorado: 2,300 Choice and Fancy 375-475# steers $30.00-37.00; 200 Good and Choice 400-450# $27.50-29.50; several loads Choice 375-450# heifers $29.00-31.50. 200 Good and Choice 400-450# $27.50-29.50. All sales none to 3 percent shrink, depending on distance to weighing point. All sales for immediate to November 15th delivery.

Sheep and lambs: Colorado, Choice and Prime 90-100# wooled slaughter lambs $21.25-21.75 delivered. Choice and Prime shorn lambs 90-100#, No. 1 and 2 pelts, $19.50-20.00.

NEW MEXICO, WEST TEXAS, WESTERN OKLAHOMA, SOUTHWESTERN KANSAS - Clovis Area - Slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, steady. Feeder cattle and calves fairly active, mostly steady. Slaughter and feeder lambs mostly steady. Slaughter ewes steady to $1.00 higher in West Texas, other areas steady to 50¢ lower.

Slaughter cattle: 21 loads Good and Choice 950-1150# steers $25.50-26.50; bulk Good 850-1100# $23.75-25.75; several loads mostly Standard $22.50-23.25. Seven loads Good and Choice 800-930# heifers $25.25-26.00; bulk Good 650-875# $23.50-24.25.

Feeders: 950 Good and Choice 500-575# steers $24.75-25.50; 1,830 Good and Choice 600-725# $23.00-24.00; 2,240 mostly Good, 375-450# heifers $23.50-24.50; 2,800 Good to mostly Choice 365-425# calves, steers $29.00-31.00, heifers $27.00-29.00; 230 Good to mostly Choice 550-625# heifers $23.00-23.50.

Sheep: 5,300 Good and Choice 80-95# slaughter lambs with No. 1-2 pelts $17.50-18.00; 1,500 Choice 90# slaughter lambs with No. 1 pelts previously contracted for delivery October 19 at $19.00; 600 Good and Choice yearling wethers with No. 1 pelts $13.50-15.00; 300 mostly Good, few Choice wooled aged wethers $6.50-8.00; 6,200 Cull to Good, mostly Utility and Good fall shorn to No. 1 pelts, ewes $5.50-6.60. 7,800 Good and Choice 65-78# wooled feeder lambs $15.50-16.00; 1,400 Good and Choice feeder lambs with No. 2 pelts $14.00-14.50; 400 mostly Good 55-60# lambs with No. 2-3 pelts $11.00-12.00; 600 Good and Choice solid mouth stocker ewes with fall shorn pelts $8.00-8.50. 450 Good and mostly Choice short solid to weak-mouth stocker ewes $6.00-6.50.

Amarillo Area - Trading on steers and heifers slow. Prices fully steady. Feeders slow, mostly steady.

Slaughter cattle: 100 mostly Good, Choice end, 1100# steers $26.50; 320 Good to mostly Choice 900-975# heifers $26.00 to mainly $26.50; about 350 Good 700-900# including near 150 for next 30 days delivery.

Feeders: Steers, immediate to early November delivery. 1,500 Good and Choice 650-700# steers $24.50-25.50. Feeder calves, 700 Choice 450-475# steers $29.00-29.50; 450# heifers $27.00-27.50.

OREGON AND WASHINGTON - Slaughter cattle mostly steady, instances 25¢ lower. Feeder cattle and calves steady. Slaughter lambs steady.

Slaughter steers: (f.o.b. feedlots 4 percent shrink unless otherwise stated.) Washington, 1,350 Good to mostly Choice 1050-1150# $27.00-27.50, some delivered; 30 Choice 1250-1300# $26.50; 120 Standard and Good 950-1000# $24.25-24.75 delivered but weighed at feedlot 4 percent shrink; 35 Standard 1100# $23.00.

Slaughter heifers: Washington, 445 Good to mostly Choice 850-975# $25.50, some delivered 60 miles 2 percent shrink; 125 mostly Good, few Choice 850-900# $24.75-25.00.

Feeder cattle and calves: Washington, 125 Choice and Fancy 475# steers $28.50, 100 mile haul weighed off truck, no shrink. 1,140 Choice 400-480# $26.00-28.50 steers, heifers $24.50-26.00, none to 2 percent shrink. Around 350 Good and Choice 450-600# heifers $22.50-23.85, some in Oregon.

Slaughter lambs: Oregon, 3,800 Choice and Prime wooled 95-105# $19.75-20.00 f.o.b. loading point 4-5 percent shrink; 1,000 Choice and Prime No. 1-2 pelts 95-100# $20.50 delivered to California. 650 No. 2 to fall shorn pelts $19.00-19.50 delivered. Washington, 1,500 Choice and Prime $19.50-20.00 wooled and shorn $19.50 with No. 1-2 pelts, mostly f.o.b. loading point, some delivered 25¢ freight.

MONTANA AND NORTHERN WYOMING - Trading slow. Limited sales feeder calves steady. Trading on feeder lambs slow, few sales steady. Unless otherwise stated, all sales for immediate delivery f.o.b. ranch or nearby weighing point with 3 percent shrink on cattle and 4 percent on lambs. Confirmed sales this week 1,000 feeder calves, compared with 975 feeder cattle and 1,175 feeder calves last week. Confirmed sales this week 2,050 feeder lambs compared with 13,050 last week.

Feeder calves: Montana, 400 Choice 375-400# calves, steers $32.00-32.50, heifers $30.00, hauled 50-75 miles and weighed with no shrink; 600 mostly Choice 400-450# calves, steers $30.00-31.00, heifers $28.00-29.00.

Feeder lambs: Montana and Wyoming, 1,800 Choice 75-85# $18.00-18.50 delivered. Around 250 Good and Choice fleshy 83# $16.00 f.o.b. shipping point.

WEEKLY RECEIPTS OF SALABLE LIVESTOCK AT 12 PUBLIC MARKETS

Market	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs	
	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961
Chicago	34,978	38,784	109	431	38,768	37,841	3,120	4,642
Denver	11,371	15,099	1,695	1,791	5,328	3,662	30,511	40,530
Fort Worth	7,564	10,360	2,301	1,185	1,543	1,433	11,132	4,968
Indianapolis ..	7,082	8,530	584	817	35,182	35,769	3,070	3,839
Kansas City ...	20,817	26,785	4,165	3,714	23,279	15,695	3,768	6,972
Oklahoma City .	14,374	14,668	4,945	4,299	4,228	3,426	886	1,174
Omaha	46,353	44,635	4,537	3,986	54,019	48,367	12,344	16,361
St. Joseph	15,401	18,266	1,471	1,045	34,941	29,097	6,276	5,684
St. Louis NSY .	12,456	15,968	1,596	2,013	62,604	55,428	4,721	5,178
Sioux City	35,010	37,683	8,416	8,259	38,835	43,799	8,945	10,906
Sioux Falls ...	11,396	12,060	282	808	23,043	22,619	12,474	12,877
So. St. Paul ..	25,199	25,477	8,163	10,136	56,318	53,750	23,073	25,922
Total	242,001	268,315	38,264	38,484	378,088	350,886	120,320	139,053
" Oct. 13, 1962	218,624		26,487		303,580		135,495	

		Oct. 20, 1962	Oct. 13, 1962	Oct. 21, 1961
INTERIOR IOWA AND SOUTHERN MINNESOTA -	Hogs	382,000	382,000	369,000
	Sheep	19,600	18,400	19,600
INTERIOR ILLINOIS -	Hogs	130,600	131,000	119,600

FEEDER CATTLE: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER

	Week ended			Month		Three months	
	Oct.18 1962	Oct.11 1962	Oct.19 1961	Sept. 1962	Sept. 1961	July-Sept. 1962	July-Sept. 1961
Steers - 1001# up	181	284	336	1,173	1,483	3,666	4,493
901-1000	1,365	1,028	1,797	6,753	8,857	21,089	21,434
801-900	3,871	3,023	5,650	14,459	18,778	46,014	47,827
701-800	11,166	9,586	12,024	27,601	28,431	72,855	65,101
501-700	19,359	19,637	20,326	49,098	55,282	129,554	132,093
Total steers 10 markets....	35,942	33,558	40,133	99,084	112,831	273,178	270,948
Av. wt. " " "	693#	682#	704#	710#	713#	714#	713#
Av. cost* " " "	$25.75	$25.61	$23.44	$25.42	$23.05	$24.61	$22.65
" " " Chicago	25.76	25.67	22.55	25.62	22.95	24.74	22.58
" " " Kansas City...	25.59	25.04	23.69	25.21	22.61	24.27	22.58
" " " Omaha	26.53	26.90	24.52	26.43	24.06	25.66	23.54
" " " S. St. Paul...	24.60	23.61	21.07	23.28	21.14	22.67	20.67
" " " Sioux City....	26.80	26.69	23.83	26.66	23.91	26.16	23.51
" " " Denver	25.88	25.24	23.99	25.80	23.57	25.37	23.24
" " " Ft. Worth	23.92	23.51**	22.04	24.10	22.11	23.79	21.97
" " " Oklahoma City.	23.71	24.07	22.58	23.83	22.33	23.71	21.80
" " " S. St. Joseph.	24.21	24.43	22.15	23.91	22.75	23.75	22.37
" " " St. Louis NSY.	23.55	23.72	21.68	24.49	22.10	23.13	21.95
Total calves - 10 markets..	31,601	23,076	31,155	61,796	55,989	168,720	138,068
" heifers " "	6,563	6,756	6,972	23,829	21,106	60,695	52,745
" cows " "	1,536	1,494	2,322	3,428	4,586	9,076	9,287

* Not adjusted for differences in grade of cattle sold at each market. **Revised.

ESTIMATED PERCENT OF FEEDER CATTLE AND SLAUGHTER COWS IN SALABLE RECEIPTS

Week ended	Chicago	Kansas City	Omaha	S. St. Joseph	St. Louis NSY	Sioux City	S.St. Paul	Indianapolis	Denver	Ft. Worth	Okla. City	Wichita	San Antonio
Feeders													
Oct. 19, 1962	3	62	25	13	11	40	15	15	40	75	80	70	75
Oct. 12, 1962	6	52	30	15	14	44	15	10	30	65	84	65	70
Oct. 20, 1961	3	58	24	18	20	34	20	12	50	70	80	62	55
Slaughter cows													
Oct. 19, 1962	4	9	6	7	20	5	20	16	20	15	10	17	10
Oct. 12, 1962	4	13	8	10	23	5	20	15	25	15	9	21	12
Oct. 20, 1961	5	7	7	7	14	4	15	10	15	20	11	15	15

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER 1/

Grade	Number of head		Percent of total by grades		Average weight (pounds)		Average price in dollars per 100 lb.	
	Week ended							
	Oct. 18 1962	Oct. 19 1961	Oct. 18 1962	Oct. 19 1961	Oct. 18 1962	Oct. 19 1961	Oct. 18 1962	Oct. 19 1961
CHICAGO								
Prime.....	2,152	3,707	9.1	13.1	1,228	1,255	31.53	25.46
Choice.....	16,286	19,022	68.6	67.1	1,129	1,176	29.54	24.69
Good.....	4,721	5,050	19.9	17.8	1,043	1,098	27.69	23.74
Standard.....	346	504	1.4	1.8	1,005	1,048	24.88	21.76
Commercial.....	--	2	--	.0	--	1,502	--	21.00
Utility.....	245	68	1.0	.2	1,052	1,008	23.11	19.92
All grades.....	23,750	28,353			1,118	1,170	29.27	24.58
OMAHA								
Prime.....	175	401	.9	2.2	1,246	1,170	29.75	24.88
Choice.....	9,794	10,280	52.5	57.5	1,088	1,139	28.03	23.92
Good.....	7,993	6,525	42.8	36.4	1,039	1,060	26.40	22.90
Standard.....	540	673	2.9	3.8	1,066	1,064	23.30	20.79
Utility.....	173	11	.9	.1	1,010	1,005	22.03	19.47
All grades.....	18,675	17,890			1,067	1,108	27.18	23.47
SIOUX CITY								
Prime.....	72	625	.6	4.4	1,178	1,248	29.84	24.42
Choice.....	7,833	7,945	61.5	56.3	1,100	1,152	28.10	23.77
Good.....	4,384	4,992	34.4	35.3	1,046	1,082	26.78	23.04
Standard.....	432	480	3.4	3.4	1,011	1,065	23.76	21.34
Utility.....	14	81	.1	.6	948	992	21.63	19.86
All grades.....	12,735	14,123			1,079	1,128	27.52	23.45
KANSAS CITY								
Prime.....	5	47	.1	.9	912	1,206	29.78	24.87
Choice.....	1,007	2,043	27.8	37.9	1,082	1,115	28.42	24.27
Good.....	2,341	2,396	64.7	44.4	1,029	1,066	26.96	23.36
Standard.....	245	635	6.8	11.8	1,086	1,071	23.34	21.57
Commercial.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility.....	21	273	.6	5.0	842	1,013	20.61	19.88
All grades.....	3,619	5,394			1,046	1,084	27.10	23.36
ST. LOUIS NSY								
Prime.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice.....	1,101	1,354	26.1	26.6	1,046	1,083	28.70	24.62
Good.....	2,679	3,197	63.5	62.9	991	1,013	26.89	23.54
Standard.....	343	492	8.1	9.7	938	966	24.13	21.72
Commercial.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility.....	99	42	2.3	.8	962	893	21.38	19.12
All grades.....	4,222	5,085			1,000	1,026	27.05	23.64
S. ST. JOSEPH								
Prime.....	--	41	--	.6	--	1,236	--	25.00
Choice.....	3,120	3,971	40.3	54.2	1,085	1,109	28.46	24.07
Good.....	4,264	2,575	55.0	35.2	1,042	1,068	26.65	23.17
Standard.....	363	731	4.7	10.0	1,065	1,064	22.79	21.32
Utility.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
All grades.....	7,747	7,318			1,060	1,091	27.21	23.50
DENVER								
Prime.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice.....	941	1,135	76.7	75.8	1,079	1,115	27.95	23.94
Good.....	273	302	22.3	20.2	1,078	1,070	26.20	22.93
Standard.....	12	60	1.0	4.0	993	1,109	22.32	19.74
Utility.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
All grades.....	1,226	1,497			1,078	1,106	27.51	23.57

1/ Data collected by Statistical Reporting Service, and Livestock Division, A. M. S.

WEEKLY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION AT MAJOR CENTERS

City or Area	Cattle Oct.20 1962	Cattle Oct.21 1961	Calves Oct.20 1962	Calves Oct.21 1961	Hogs Oct.20 1962	Hogs Oct.21 1961	Sheep and lambs Oct.20 1962	Sheep and lambs Oct.21 1961
Boston, New York City Area	12,124	13,910	10,770	12,000	37,549	49,114	37,037	39,289
Baltimore, Philadelphia	9,062	9,961	1,880	2,095	33,853	36,857	4,702	4,523
Cin., Cleve., Detroit, Indpls .	20,559	20,910	3,413	1,391	147,267	118,533	15,723	6,465
Chicago Area	14,946	16,862	6,262	9,996	53,924	43,418	15,044	6,131
St. Paul- Wisc. Areas	27,365	30,799	17,985	22,271	127,459	125,134	20,994	23,003
St. Louis Area	10,638	11,435	1,632	1,885	82,590	82,346	5,543	6,046
Sioux City-So. Dakota Area	32,400	33,535	--	--	121,938	116,259	12,795	13,503
Omaha Area	41,104	42,026	177	174	102,299	101,368	19,999	17,357
Kansas City	13,732	15,218	--	--	43,856	38,107	--	--
Iowa - So. Minnesota	34,438	36,563	9,557	9,565	324,297	338,175	34,814	39,618
Lou'l, Evan'l.Nash'l. Mph's ...	7,289	8,422	3,658	4,297	57,875	55,406	--	--
Georgia, Florida, Ala. Area ...	10,868	11,535	3,793	5,180	25,871	25,577	--	--
St. Jo'ph. Wichita, Okla. City.	19,766	20,898	1,175	896	52,493	54,611	8,058	11,123
Ft. Worth, Dallas, San Antonio.	10,846	12,962	3,219	4,894	17,063	19,760	38,158	35,303
Denver, Ogden, Salt Lake City .	26,444	23,779	73	202	18,161	15,416	53,263	53,322
Los Angeles, San Fran. Areas ..	30,622	13,799	1,906	574	30,229	9,336	31,071	32,799
Portland, Seattle, Spokane	8,755	9,103	260	248	19,353	19,328	6,413	7,976
Total	330,958	331,717	65,760	75,668	1,296,077	1,248,745	303,614	296,458
Accumulation to date	13,358,427	13,185,273	2,486,211	2,600,005	45,749,469	44,561,604	10,954,663	11,339,803

ESTIMATED FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER AND MEAT PRODUCTION

Week ended	Beef Number	Beef Prod.	Veal Number	Veal Prod.	Pork (excl. lard) Number	Pork (excl. lard) Prod.	Lamb and mutton Number	Lamb and mutton Prod.	Total meat prod.	Total lard prod.
	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	mil.lb.	mil.lb.
Oct. 20, 1962	415	232.4	110	11.7	1,490	211.0	330	15.2	470.3	--
Oct. 13, 1962	405	226.8	110	11.7	1,390	197.7	315	14.8	451.0	--
Sept.29, 1962 1/.....	401	--	114	--	1,320	--	310	--	--	37.8
Oct. 21, 1961 1/.....	418	247.3	117	13.0	1,422	194.4	315	14.3	469.0	43.2
Percentage change from:										
Oct. 13, 1962	2	2	0	0	7	7	5	3	4	--
Oct. 21, 1961	-1	-6	-6	-10	5	9	5	6	0	--

Week ended	Average weight (lb.) Cattle Live	Cattle Dressed	Calves Live	Calves Dressed	Hogs Live	Hogs Dressed 2/	Sheep and lambs Live	Sheep and lambs Dressed	Lard yield per 100 lb.
Oct. 20, 1962	1000	560	190	106	240	142	96	46	--
Oct. 13, 1962	1000	560	190	106	241	142	96	46	--
Sept.29, 1962	995	567	190	107	237	140	95	46	--
Oct. 21, 1961	1028	592	198	111	235	137	95	45	12.9

1/ Actual slaughter. 2/ Excludes lard.

CATTLE: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS
In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification		Chicago		Kansas City		Omaha		Denver		North Portland	
		Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961
Slaughter cattle, calves and vealers											
Steers -											
Prime	900-1100#	30.62	25.38	--	--	29.65	25.00	--	--	--	--
	1100-1300	31.50	25.58	--	--	30.35	25.00	--	--	--	--
Choice	900-1100	29.22	24.72	28.72	24.85	28.35	24.05	28.00	23.98	27.38	24.75
	1100-1300	30.10	24.88	29.08	24.50	28.72	24.12	28.00	23.85	--	--
Good	900-1100	27.38	23.40	26.55	23.62	25.98	22.75	25.12	21.98	25.50	23.25
Standard		25.12	21.50	23.02	21.50	23.62	21.25	--	19.50	21.50	20.50
Heifers -											
Choice	700-900#	27.32	23.50	27.08	23.88	26.62	23.12	26.50	23.35	25.75	23.62
Good	600-800	--	--	24.88	22.62	24.22	21.75	--	--	23.75	22.00
Standard		23.25	20.25	21.25	20.50	22.25	20.00	--	18.45	19.50	19.00
Cows -											
Commercial		15.72	16.25	16.22	16.50	16.50	16.10	--	--	16.00	15.50
Utility		15.30	15.10	15.22	15.75	15.35	15.15	15.38	15.55	15.00	14.62
Cutter		14.00	14.38	13.75	14.72	13.98	13.90	14.50	14.10	12.50	12.38
Canner		12.75	13.05	12.12	13.45	12.88	12.95	13.00	12.98	10.75	10.62
Bulls - Yrlgs. excl.											
Commercial		18.45	17.00	17.00	16.88	16.75	17.25	--	--	--	--
Utility		18.45	18.05	17.25	17.12	16.75	17.38	18.50	19.00	18.50	18.75
Calves - 250-500#											
Choice		--	--	23.60	21.95	--	--	--	--	--	--
Good		--	--	21.80	20.45	--	--	--	--	--	21.00
Standard		--	--	19.10	18.55	--	--	--	--	--	19.00
Vealers - 150-250#											
Choice		--	--	25.00	24.50	25.00	24.00	--	--	27.50	26.50
Good		--	--	23.50	22.00	23.25	22.25	--	--	26.75	24.25
Standard		--	--	20.50	19.00	21.00	19.75	--	--	23.88	21.00
Feeder cattle and calves											
Steers - 500-800#											
Fancy		--	--	29.25	--	30.25	--	29.70	--	--	--
Choice		--	26.12	27.88	25.50	28.38	25.75	28.10	25.50	24.00	23.50
Good		25.75	24.25	25.25	23.75	25.25	23.50	24.70	21.50	22.00	22.25
Heifers - 500-750#											
Choice		--	--	25.25	23.25	26.00	24.25	25.35	23.50	--	--
Good		--	--	23.50	20.50*	23.50	20.50*	22.45	20.00*	20.50	18.00*
Calves -											
Steer -											
Fancy 300-550#		--	--	32.25	--	34.50	--	32.20	--	--	--
Choice " "		--	--	30.38)	27.88	31.75)	28.25	30.35)	28.65	26.00)	24.00
Good 300-500#		--		27.25)		27.25)		27.30)		25.00)	
Heifer - 300-500#											
Fancy		--	--	28.25	--	30.75	--	--	--	--	--
Choice		--		26.25)	25.00	27.75)	26.50	28.95)	26.70	23.00)	21.50
Good			--	23.25)		24.75)		24.70)		--)	

*Medium and Good.

HOGS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS
In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification	Chicago		Interior Iowa and So. Minnesota		St. Louis National Stock Yards		Omaha		Indianapolis		St. Joseph		Kansas City		Peoria	
	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961
Barrows and gilts -																
U. S. No. 1 & 2																
180-200#	17.25	17.12	--	--	17.01	16.87	16.20	16.08	17.34	17.01	16.48	16.19	16.38	16.10	16.95	16.74
200-220	17.45	17.14	16.47	16.11	17.10	16.94	17.10	16.54	17.38	17.16	16.98	16.60	16.86	16.47	17.02	16.79
220-240	17.28	17.11	16.47	16.11	16.96	16.94	17.10	16.54	17.35	17.14	16.98	16.59	16.88	16.47	16.80	16.72
U. S. No. 2 & 3																
200-220	16.88	16.81	16.17	15.84	16.77	16.68	16.78	16.34	17.08	16.82	16.54	16.22	16.54	16.20	--	--
220-240	16.75	16.80	16.14	15.84	16.64	16.67	16.78	16.34	17.08	16.80	16.52	16.21	16.60	16.22	--	--
240-270	16.60	16.71	15.85	15.60	16.36	16.67	16.72	16.32	16.82	16.62	16.36	16.20	16.46	16.20	16.28	--
U. S. No. 1, 2 & 3																
200-220	17.18	16.94	16.23	15.90	16.87	16.77	16.85	16.40	17.14	16.94	16.64	16.27	16.65	16.30	16.70	16.75
220-240	16.98	16.94	16.22	15.90	16.80	16.77	16.85	16.40	17.12	16.94	16.64	16.30	16.74	16.32	16.65	16.62
240-270	16.70	16.78	15.93	15.65	16.52	16.74	16.74	16.38	16.98	16.75	16.50	16.27	16.61	16.30	16.38	16.50
Sows - U.S.1,2 & 3																
270-330	--	--	15.59	15.16	15.88	16.00	15.65	15.72	15.88	16.12	15.80	15.90	15.68	15.82	15.30	15.85
330-400	15.35	15.40	15.07	14.65	15.48	15.22	15.22	15.28	15.30	15.40	15.35	15.30	15.28	15.42	14.78	15.32
U.S.2-3 400-550	14.38	14.08	14.02	13.50	14.42	14.32	14.64	15.00	14.85	14.81	14.68	14.68	14.68	14.80	14.00	14.52

Classification	South St. Paul		Sioux City		Sioux Falls		Cincinnati		Fort Worth		Thomasville		Baltimore		North Portland	
Barrows and gilts -																
U. S. No. 1 & 2																
180-200#	16.72	16.42	16.66	16.00	--	--	17.20	17.32	16.88	16.75	17.32	17.15	18.33	18.56	18.42	18.50
200-220	16.98	16.58	16.80	16.25	16.70	16.24	17.39	17.39	17.19	16.83	17.32	17.15	18.33	18.56	18.62	18.53
220-240	16.98	16.58	16.82	16.28	16.70	16.24	17.34	17.36	17.17	16.79	17.32	17.15	--	--	18.42	18.38
U. S. No. 2 & 3																
200-220	16.55	16.25	16.74	16.22	16.48	16.13	17.20	17.29	--	--	16.88	16.50	--	--	18.17	17.81
220-240	16.55	16.25	16.74	16.22	16.48	16.13	17.12	17.29	--	16.38	16.88	16.50	--	--	17.75	17.81
240-270	16.28	16.25	16.58	16.22	16.32	16.16	16.85	--	16.44	16.56	16.45	16.15	--	--	17.75	17.31
U. S. No. 1, 2 & 3																
200-220	16.60	16.25	16.78	16.24	16.50	16.16	17.24	17.39	16.75	16.38	17.12	16.65	18.12	18.47	--	--
220-240	16.58	16.25	16.80	16.26	16.50	16.16	17.19	17.34	16.78	16.34	17.12	16.65	17.75	18.25	--	--
240-270	16.35	16.25	16.60	16.22	16.36	--	--	--	16.67	16.22	--	--	--	--	--	--
Sows - U.S.1, 2 & 3																
270-330	15.50	15.38	15.80	15.80	--	15.52	15.85	15.90	16.00	15.25	13.58	13.65	--	--	15.75	16.06
330-400	15.20	15.05	15.32	15.50	15.25	15.18	15.22	15.28	16.00	15.71	12.95	13.15	--	--	14.75	15.00
U.S.2-3 400-550	14.42	14.58	14.68	14.92	14.50	14.35	14.58	14.40	15.44	15.54	12.20	12.65	--	--	13.25	13.00

HOGS: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER OF PACKER AND SHIPPER PURCHASES 1/

	Week ended	Chicago	St. Louis Nat'l. Stock Yards	Kansas City	Omaha	Sioux City	S. St. Joseph	S. St. Paul	Indian-apolis	Eight mkts. com-bined
AVERAGE COST -				Dollars per 100 pounds						
Barrows and gilts	Oct. 20, 1962	16.92	16.69	16.56	16.74	16.66	16.59	16.50	17.04	16.70
	Oct. 13, 1962	17.42	17.29	17.05	17.21	17.07	17.06	16.95	17.57	17.19
	Oct. 21, 1961	16.86	16.69	16.16	16.36	16.25	16.25	16.20	16.95	16.48
Sows	Oct. 20, 1962	14.63	14.77	14.87	14.65	14.90	15.00	14.67	14.81	14.76
	Oct. 13, 1962	15.15	14.97	15.23	15.37	15.41	14.07	15.02	15.29	15.07
	Oct. 21, 1961	14.64	14.78	15.18	15.14	15.12	15.10	14.74	14.84	14.92
AVERAGE WEIGHT -				Pounds						
Barrows and gilts	Oct. 20, 1962	228	227	237	234	234	232	229	228	231
	Oct. 13, 1962	224	223	236	231	234	236	227	227	229
	Oct. 21, 1961	221	220	227	227	226	226	225	221	224
Sows	Oct. 20, 1962	426	409	420	428	418	393	408	447	418
	Oct. 13, 1962	425	407	409	420	416	437	404	441	419
	Oct. 21, 1961	423	414	408	416	410	384	402	429	412
NUMBER OF HEAD -										
Barrows and gilts	Oct. 20, 1962	30886	55190	20792	46868	33405	30723	45139	29701	292704
	Oct. 13, 1962	20235	39698	17330	34953	30063	26348	34983	22845	226455
	Oct. 21, 1961	31531	50768	13828	40070	38154	25248	38820	29361	267780
Sows	Oct. 20, 1962	2869	4666	1525	5309	4162	2939	6192	3083	30745
	Oct. 13, 1962	3153	3196	1404	4512	3329	2818	5338	2527	26277
	Oct. 21, 1961	3044	3530	1289	5442	3732	2325	5578	4017	28957
SOWS -				Percentage of total						
	Oct. 20, 1962	8	8	7	10	11	9	12	9	10
	Oct. 13, 1962	13	8	7	11	10	10	13	10	10
	Oct. 21, 1961	9	6	9	12	9	8	12	12	10

1/ Weighted average.

AVERAGE WHOLESALE VALUE OF HOG PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM 100 LB. LIVE HOG, COMPARED WITH PRICES OF LIVE HOGS, CHICAGO

Week ended	Hog products 1/	Hog prices 2/	Gross spread or margin 3/
Oct. 20, 1962	$18.60	$17.18	$1.42
Oct. 13, 1962	18.58	17.62	.96
Oct. 21, 1961	18.27	16.94	1.33

1/ Value of all edible products, fresh basis (lard rendered) in 100 lb. of live hog computed from wholesale prices on carlot basis, Chicago, reported by National Provisioner daily market report.

2/ Mean of daily quotations on U. S. No. 1,2 and 3 hogs, 200-220# wt. Chicago.

3/ Difference between wholesale product value and hog prices.

HOG AND CORN PRICES AT CHICAGO AND HOG-CORN PRICE RATIO

Week ended	Barrows and gilts 1/ Dollars per 100 pounds	Corn 2/ No.3 yellow Cents per bushel	Hog-corn price ratio based on barrows and gilts
Oct. 20, 1962.....	16.92	109.9	15.4
Oct. 13, 1962.....	17.42	110.4	15.8
Oct. 21, 1961.....	16.86	111.3	15.1

1/ Weighted average. 2/ Simple average.

SHEEP AND LAMBS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS
In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification		Chicago	Omaha	Kansas City	Fort Worth	Denver	Ogden	North Portland
SLAUGHTER LAMBS: (Wooled) 80-110#								
Prime	Oct. 20, 1962	19.95	--	19.50	--	21.63	19.75	19.81
	Oct. 21, 1961	18.10	17.22	16.95	--	17.55	16.78	16.62
Choice	Oct. 20, 1962	18.45	19.12	18.75	17.50	20.55	18.75	19.56
	Oct. 21, 1961	17.22	16.30	16.20	16.00	16.62	16.08	16.38
Good	Oct. 20, 1962	16.70	17.95	17.00	17.00	18.99	17.62	--
	Oct. 21, 1961	15.65	14.92	15.28	15.00	15.50	14.78	15.00
EWES: (Shorn) 90-150#								
Good	Oct. 20, 1962	4.50	5.50	4.50	6.25	6.32	5.50*	3.88
Good & Ch.	Oct. 21, 1961	4.25	3.88	3.32	5.75	4.42	4.60	4.50*
Utility	Oct. 20, 1962	4.88	5.95	5.25	5.50	5.99	4.75*	4.12
Cull & Util.	Oct. 21, 1961	4.00	3.62	2.65	4.75	3.38	3.32	3.75*
Cull	Oct. 20, 1962	4.00	4.65	4.25	4.75	4.80	3.50*	3.25
FEEDER LAMBS: (Wooled) 60-80#								
Fancy	Oct. 20, 1962	--	18.50	--	--	19.20	18.50	16.31
Choice	Oct. 20, 1962	--	16.75	--	14.75	18.20	17.62	15.50
Good & Ch.	Oct. 21, 1961	--	14.08	--	11.50	15.56	14.05	13.25
Good	Oct. 20, 1962	--	14.62	--	12.00	16.35	16.00	--

*Wooled basis.

UNITED STATES FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER BY REGIONS
SEPTEMBER 1962 - with comparisons (Thousand head)

Region	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep & Lambs	
	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961
N. Atlantic States	124	116	160	142	417	492	151	165
S. Atlantic States	55	52	45	47	270	281	1/	1/
N. C. States - Eastern	247	263	100	118	1,203	1,101	104	77
N. C. States - N. Western ..	553	588	39	47	1,751	2,089	301	362
N. C. States - S. Western ..	146	163	9	11	415	489	53	63
S. Central States	185	196	53	64	409	492	177	161
Mountain States	133	126	2	2	87	88	299	290
Pacific States	212	209	17	23	185	208	186	169
Total	1,654	1,712	424	456	4,737	5,240	1,272	1,286

Other animals slaughtered under Federal inspection, (number of head): Sept. 1962, horses 4,698; goats 37,526; Sept. 1961, horses 5,288, goats 19,630.

1/ Not available for publication.

Data furnished by Agricultural Research Service.

WHOLESALE MEAT TRADE REVIEWS

LESS THAN CARLOT MEAT TRADE REVIEW

EASTERN SEABOARD - Steer beef sold 50¢ lower at New York but steady to $1.50 higher at other Eastern markets with Philadelphia mostly $1.00-1.50 up. Cow beef was steady to mostly 50¢ lower; veal steady to $1.00 lower, except at Philadelphia steady to $2.00 higher, while calf closed fully $1.00 lower at New York; lamb weak to mostly $1.00 lower at Philadelphia, otherwise steady to $1.00 higher; pork loins and Boston butts steady to $2.00 lower; spareribs mostly steady to $2.00 lower; fresh skinned hams $1.00-2.00 higher.

Prices were weak to $1.00 lower for kosher dressed steer forequarters and the trend was $1.00-2.00 lower for lamb. Quotations were unchanged for kosher veal and calf foresaddles but prices were weak for bulk offerings.

Supplies of all classes were normal with lamb slightly above normal at Washington. Turnover of beef was uneven at Eastern markets, but in general ribs showed marked improvement while carcass sales lagged. Rounds and chucks moved best at New York. Washington had brisk movement of rounds and ribs, while early demand at Philadelphia was predominantly rounds and chucks, but turned to loins and ribs at the close. Loins were troublesome in most areas. Veal and calf trade was rather dull and upturn confined to some Good grade at Philadelphia. Lamb was moderately active with bulk marketed as cuts. Fresh pork trading was moderately active, but closed active at Baltimore and Washington. Clearance of beef was incomplete at Washington, while at New York there was a small carryover of beef hinds and calf hindsaddles.

CHICAGO - Steer and heifer beef along with veal sold steady for the week, lamb was $1.00 higher, pork loins 8-16# $2.00-2.50 lower, Boston butts 4-8# and spareribs 3# down steady to 50¢ lower.

Mostly moderate supplies of all classes of fresh meat adequate for trade requirements. Steer and heifer beef and lamb continued to run mainly to lighter weight carcasses, beef grading largely Good and Choice.

Carcass beef trade was only moderately active. The previous week's slow loin trade continued into the current period. However, other primal cuts were in good demand, particularly rounds and ribs, except chucks less active at the close. A slow opening veal trade improved to moderately active. A moderate demand and higher replacement costs influenced advances in lamb prices for the first time in better than a month. Lamb legs, stews and shoulders cleared well but ribs and loins were draggy. Fresh pork cuts were slow throughout.

PACIFIC COAST - Choice steer beef prices were uneven. Sales were generally steady to 50¢ lower in California aside from volume movement of carcasses under 650# steady to 50¢ higher in Los Angeles. Price trends were steady to 50¢ higher in the Pacific Northwest, the advance on carcasses under 700#. Standard and Good steer beef sold steady. Heifer beef was steady in Los Angeles, weak to instances $1.00 lower in San Francisco and steady to 50¢ higher in the Pacific Northwest. Cow beef held steady except in the Los Angeles area firm to $1.00 higher. Calf and veal sold steady. Lamb mostly steady in California and steady to $1.00 higher in the Portland-Seattle area. Pork sold steady to $2.00 lower except smoked skinned hams firm to $1.00 higher in Los Angeles, both smoked and fresh hams firm to $2.00 higher in the Northwest.

Supply of most meats was normal and plentiful for a fair demand, cow beef an exception in Los Angeles, rather short, and mutton in very limited supply over the entire area. In Choice steer beef cuts, chucks and rounds were fairly active while loins and ribs continued draggy under price pressure.

CARLOT MEAT TRADE REVIEW

CHICAGO, DENVER, OMAHA, NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA - Trading was rather dull the fore part of the week on steer and heifer beef and prices declined slightly. However, at New York and Philadelphia demand became fairly broad late. Steer and heifer beef closed steady to 50¢ lower with midwest and western markets showing the most decline. Cow beef supplies were below normal, demand was rather broad and closing prices were steady to $1.25 higher on the limited offerings. Clearance was complete on all classes.

Demand was broad for slightly below normal supplies of carcass lamb, trading was brisk, and prices were sharply higher. Lamb prices closed 50¢-$2.00 higher, mostly $1.00-2.00 up. Clearance was good.

Sharp increases of pork supplies over the previous week had a depressing price effect on some pork products, however, fresh hams and pork carcasses advanced. Pork loins declined $1.00-1.75. Pork butts finished the week 50¢-$1.25 lower. Fresh hams closed 50¢-$2.00 higher and pork sides at New York advanced $1.00. Clearance was generally complete on all classes.

WHOLESALE DRESSED MEAT PRICES - LESS THAN CARLOT BASIS
Weekly average of daily quotations in dollars per 100 pounds

Classification		New York		Chicago		San Francisco		Los Angeles	
		Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961	Oct. 20 1962	Oct. 21 1961
Steer beef -									
Prime	700-800#	51.30	42.70	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice	600-700	48.05	42.20	46.75	40.50	44.25	40.50	44.12	41.00
	700-800	49.30	41.70	47.00	40.00	43.00	39.50	42.50	39.25
Good	500-600	45.55	40.70	44.50	39.00	43.50	39.50	42.00	40.00
	600-700	46.05	41.20	45.00	39.00	42.50	38.50	41.25	39.12
Heifer beef -									
Choice	500-600#	--	--	45.50	39.25	43.50	39.25	42.75	41.19
	600-700	--	--	45.50	39.25	43.12	39.00	42.50	40.19
Good	500-600	--	--	44.00	37.50	42.00	37.75	--	--
Veal -									
Prime	90-120#	60.00	58.00	53.50	56.75	--	--	--	--
Choice	90-120	50.00	49.50	50.00	51.25	--	--	--	--
Good	90-120	47.50	44.50	45.50	46.75	55.50	51.50	--	--
Lamb -									
Prime	45-55#	44.70	40.05	43.50	39.94	43.00	38.00	43.00	40.00
Choice	45-55	44.70	40.05	43.50	39.94	43.00	38.00	43.00	40.00
Fresh pork -									
Loins	8-12#	49.70	49.80	44.69	46.00	51.75	51.30	48.88	51.94
Butts	4-8	38.10	37.85	34.88	33.75	43.25	41.00	39.44	40.75
Spareribs	3# down	40.50	41.30	37.25	36.50	44.75	43.50	41.00	47.88
Hams, smk. skd. -									
Cook before eating	12-16#	45.75	45.50	--	47.25	52.50	47.00	46.50	48.50
Fully cooked	10-14#	47.75	47.00	52.00	51.50	--	--	--	--
Bacon, smoked, sliced - 1# package (box lots)		49.50	56.00	50.50	53.00	54.00	56.00	50.50	56.50
Picnics, smoked - (Cook before eating)	4-8#	33.50	32.50	35.00	34.75	35.00	35.00	33.75	33.00
Lard, 1# carton		14.88	14.00	15.25	14.25	17.00	17.75	16.00	17.50

BULK PRICES - CARLOT BASIS - WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 19, 1962

Classification		Prices paid F.O.B.			Prices delivered	
		Chicago	Denver	Omaha	New York	Philadelphia
Steer beef -						
Choice	600-700#	45.00	43.50-44.00	44.50	46.50-47.00	46.50-47.00
	700-800	45.50	44.00-44.50	45.00	47.50	47.00-47.50
	800-900	45.50	44.50	45.00	47.50	47.50-48.00
Good	500-600	42.50-43.00	--	--	43.50-46.00	--
	600-700	43.00-44.00	--	43.00-43.50	43.50-46.00	44.00-45.50
	700-800	43.00-44.00	--	42.00-43.00	43.50-46.00	44.50-46.00
Heifer beef -						
Choice	500-600#	43.50	42.00-42.75	42.75	--	45.00-46.00
	600-700	43.50-43.75	42.00-42.75	42.75-43.00	--	45.50-46.50
Good	500-600	42.00-42.50	41.50	41.75	--	--
	600-700	42.00-42.50	41.50	41.75	--	--
Cow beef - All weights -						
Utility		29.00-29.50	29.00-29.50	28.00-28.75	--	29.00-31.00
Canner and Cutter		28.25-28.50	--	27.50-27.75	--	28.00-29.00
Lamb -						
Prime	35-45#	41.00-41.50	38.00-40.00	--	42.00-43.50	42.00-43.00
	45-55	41.00-41.50	38.00-40.00	--	42.00-43.50	42.00-43.00
	55-65	41.00-41.50	38.00-40.00	--	42.00-43.50	41.00-41.50
Choice	35-45	41.00-41.50	38.00-40.00	40.00-40.50	42.00-43.50	42.00-43.00
	45-55	41.00-41.50	38.00-40.00	40.00-40.50	42.00-43.50	42.00-43.00
	55-65	41.00-41.50	38.00-40.00	40.00-40.50	42.00-43.50	41.00-41.50
Fresh pork -						
Loins	8-12#	43.00	--	42.25	--	44.00-44.50

BOSTON WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Greasy domestic combing wools in the Boston market continued in very short supply and sales were negligible, quotations held firm. Woolen wools and noils were slow to move at steady prices. Sales to be held in western States as follows: Casper, Wyoming October 19, Minneapolis, Minnesota October 25 and Portland,Oregon October 27. Occasional small sales of fall wools were moved in Texas, while turnover in the fleece wool States was insignificant.

Midweek cables from Australia showed the market very strong, with Japan, United States, Great Britain and France active. The South African market was firm with a limited supply of long combing wools while offerings of short and average length wools were adequate. France and the United States were the principal buyers. In New Zealand there was good general competition with all sections operating, except Eastern Europe. The South American markets were very dull with occasional sales of scoured Montevideo lambs wool to this country.

Fleece Wools - There was a continued good demand for medium fleece wools but offerings were restricted.

Territory Wools - Approximately one million pounds of bulk fine original bag territory wool were offered at sealed bid sale at Casper Wyoming October 19.

Texas Wools - Approximately a carload of fall wool sold in Texas at grease prices of 41½-43½¢ for ewes and 46½¢ for fall lambs wools and estimated at 98¢ clean basis, delivered East.

Mohair - A small weight of adult mohair sold in Texas at 66½¢ and $1.06½ for kid hair while straight kid brought from $1.35-1.40 to the warehouse.

Foreign Wools - Trade in spot foreign wools continued dull. Greasy Australian combing 60s sold for shipment around $1.26 clean basis, American yield, duty paid. Cabled reports at week's end follow with combing wools converted to clean U. S. oil-combed yields and short wools to scouring yields, in bond.

South Africa

Oil-combed		Scoured yields	
7 -	$1.18	17 -	$1.07
8 -	1.17	22 -	1.05
12 -	1.15	27 -	1.00
47 -	1.13	32 -	.96
48 -	1.11	33 -	.93
52 -	1.11	38 -	.88
53 -	1.09		

Montevideo Super Skirted Wools

60/64s	-	$1.01-1.02
60/58s	-	.94- .95
56/50s	-	.90- .91
60's	-	.96- .97
58/56s	-	.93- .94

Australia
Oil-combed

77 -	$1.16	422 -	$1.05
78 -	1.13	423 -	.99
78A-	1.11	424 -	.94
79 -	1.07	425 -	.88

New Zealand
Oil-combed

65 -	$.94	100 -	$.78
72 -	.92	107 -	.75
79 -	.91	114 -	.72
86 -	.87	121 -	.72
93 -	.83	128 -	.72
834 -	.81		

Carpet Wools - Trading of spot carpet wools was generally dull. A scoured Buenos Aires November wool sold around 70-71¢. Greasy Buenos Aires November second clip carpet wools were offered at 66½-67¢, March wools at 63-64¢, lambs wool at 63¢ and fleeces around 71-72¢. New Zealand carpet fleeces around 73¢, early shorn wool 70¢ and type 702/3 crutchings at 62¢. Pale yellow Montgomery Pakistan wool at 65¢, medium gray Iceland wool at 65¢ and medium to dark gray at 62¢, all above clean wool fibers present for shipment. Approximately 3,690 bales including 360 bales of Afghanistan carpet wools will be auctioned at Liverpool on October 24.

Woolen Wools - Sales follow:

Scoured Pulled Domestic	Scoured Shorn Foreign
60/58s 1½-2" wh.$1.10-1.12	Monte 56/60s lambs 92¢
	Aust. bulk 64s locks, white for ship. 84¢

Wool Tops - There was a little business with a light demand for mostly fine tops. Topmakers were sold out of domestic medium grades and practically all offers of domestic tops were withdrawn. Quotes follow:

Warp Aust. D/C		Warp Dom. D/C	
70s -	$1.95	$1.95	Nominal
64s -	1.82	1.80	"
62s -	1.77	1.75	"
60s -	1.67	1.65	"
58/60s -	1.62	1.60	"

Oil-combed		Territory	Fleece	
58/60s -	$1.60	$1.58 N	--	
56s -	--	1.53 N	$1.50	Nominal
50/56s -	1.49	1.50 N	1.48	"

CLOSING FUTURES QUOTATIONS - Oct. 18, 1962 (Furnished by the Wool Associates of the New York Cotton Exchange)

October wool tops - $1.676B
December wool tops - 1.661B
64s grade - 2.55" minimum length
October wool - $1.283B
December wool - 1.252B
64s grade - 2½" average stretched length

MEAT AND MEAT FOOD PRODUCTS INSPECTED WHEN OFFERED FOR IMPORTATION
(USDA - ARS - Meat Inspection Division)
August 1962

Country of origin	Fresh meats and edible offal			Cured meats	
	Beef and Veal	Lamb and Mutton	Pork	Beef	Pork
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
Argentina	--	--	--	--	--
Australia	31,165,162	3,152,036	--	--	--
Brazil	--	--	--	24,650	--
Canada	1,603,063	82,602	2,481,605	8,813	500,033
Denmark	--	--	--	--	--
Germany	--	--	--	--	9,259
Holland	--	--	--	--	--
Ireland	5,603,622	14,683	--	--	9,062
Mexico	2,461,371	--	--	--	--
New Zealand	25,444,903	933,339	6,490	44,880	--
Paraguay	--	--	--	--	--
Poland	--	--	--	--	--
Uruguay	--	--	--	--	--
All others	4,248,058	86	26,008	7,000	10,659
Total - August 1962	70,526,179	4,182,746	2,514,103	85,343	529,013
August 1961	52,245,017	5,463,027	2,254,147	150,534	378,189
Refused or condemned:					
August 1962	172,364	35,308	1,996	--	--
August 1961	171,562	202,790	--	5,004	2,227

Country of origin	Canned meats			Cooked beef	Sausage (Trichina treated)	General miscellaneous	Total
	Beef	Pork	Miscellaneous				
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
Argentina	5,192,425	--	--	221,750	--	832,102	6,246,277
Australia	256,200	--	8,100	--	--	--	34,581,498
Brazil	1,218,751	--	--	151,400	--	--	1,394,801
Canada	240	226,601	3,697	--	13,156	170,133	5,089,943
Denmark	14,000	4,482,722	590,588	--	157,883	--	5,245,193
Germany	--	55,249	1,091	--	32,460	--	98,059
Holland	6,930	3,348,308	171,567	--	2,827	--	3,529,632
Ireland	--	--	--	--	--	--	5,627,367
Mexico	--	--	--	--	--	--	2,461,371
New Zealand	--	--	--	--	--	--	26,429,612
Paraguay	1,016,043	--	--	--	--	--	1,016,043
Poland	6,173	2,457,082	963,634	--	--	--	3,426,889
Uruguay	1,939,895	--	--	--	2,756	31,360	1,974,011
All others	1,044	584,303	95,934	--	34,360	1,260	5,008,712
Total - August 1962	9,651,701	11,154,265	1,834,611	373,150	243,442	1,034,855	102,129,408
August 1961	8,236,524	6,708,909	819,903	987,100	171,445	381,674	77,796,469
Refused or condemned:							
August 1962	9,997	57,722	2,779	250	--	7,807	288,223
August 1961	30,117	32,087	18,945	--	9,130	--	471,862

Note: In addition to the above, imports of horse meat (in pounds) for August 1962 were as follows: Argentina 304,136, Canada 144,765, Mexico 642,084. August 1961 - Mexico 37,900.

MEAT AND MEAT FOOD PRODUCTS PREPARED AND PROCESSED
UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Product	Week ended - Sept. 8 1962	Sept. 15 1962	Sept. 22 1962	Sept. 29 1962
	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#
Placed in cure -				
Beef 1/	2,725	3,731	3,590	4,103
Pork 1/	50,643	65,459	59,625	60,837
Other 1/	30	36	50	13
Smoked and / or dried -				
Beef 1/	859	957	896	1,060
Pork 1/	41,793	51,299	50,197	46,577
Cooked meat -				
Beef.	806	969	948	974
Pork.	4,061	5,395	4,891	5,035
Other	78	85	81	101
Sausage -				
Fresh finished.	4,231	5,303	5,115	5,360
To be dried or semi-dried	2,525	2,674	2,770	2,819
Franks, wieners	12,495	13,473	13,015	12,653
Other, smoked or cooked .	12,824	14,883	14,210	13,959
Loaf, head cheese, chili, jellied products.	3,906	4,582	4,189	4,226
Steaks, chops, roasts . . .	11,552	14,253	13,467	13,214
Meat extract.	8	53	35	39
Sliced bacon 1/	19,936	23,191	22,173	20,244
Sliced, other 1/ 2/	6,542	7,706	7,681	7,724
Hamburger	5,328	6,260	7,059	6,299
Miscellaneous meat product.	5,021	6,506	6,513	7,155
Lard, rendered	26,589	30,174	33,988	36,129
Lard, refined	18,033	23,420	23,158	23,877
Oleo stock	1,013	1,251	753	1,164
Edible tallow	7,277	8,111	7,814	7,374
Rendered pork fat -				
Rendered	1,192	1,496	1,709	1,653
Refined	490	692	811	822
Compound contain'g animal fat	13,100	15,734	16,345	17,284
Oleomargarine " " "	2,496	2,921	3,373	1,833
Canned product (for civilian use and Dept. of Defense).	26,958	34,757	39,991	43,267
Total 1/	282,513	345,372	344,449	345,795

1/ This figure represents "inspection pounds" as some of the products may have been inspected and recorded more than once due to having been subjected to more than one distinct processing treatment, such as curing first, then smoking, slicing.

2/ Includes sliced dried beef, sliced sausage, loaves, etc.

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MEAT AND MEAT FOOD PRODUCTS PREPARED AND PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - CONTINUED

Product	Week ended - 1962							
	Sept. 8		Sept. 15		Sept. 22		Sept. 29	
	3 lb. or over	Under 3 lb.	3 lb. or over	Under 3 lb.	3 lb. or over	Under 3 lb.	3 lb. or over	Under 3 lb.
Canned product (For civilian use only)	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#
Luncheon meat	2,431	1,454	2,490	1,983	2,406	2,743	2,753	3,200
Canned hams	3,365	137	3,626	122	4,706	103	5,333	127
Corned beef hash	117	1,253	101	1,586	72	1,446	105	1,586
Chili con carne	135	2,358	272	3,523	342	3,611	312	4,669
Viennas	75	940	101	1,127	108	1,167	106	1,231
Franks, wieners in brine . .	1	5	--	10	--	33	--	7
Deviled ham.	--	176	--	165	--	161	--	160
Other potted or deviled meat food products.	--	418	--	1,100	--	597	--	579
Tamales	75	477	67	882	138	740	122	829
Sliced dried beef	4	39	8	45	7	59	4	51
Chopped beef	--	47	--	142	--	157	--	151
Meat stew (all products) . .	161	1,608	156	2,697	135	2,475	72	2,091
Spaghetti meat products . .	146	1,933	35	3,003	72	2,597	69	1,444
Tongue (other than pickled).	3	20	4	12	5	9	11	12
Vinegar pickled products . .	154	209	215	248	215	301	406	308
Bulk sausage	--	70	--	126	--	68	11	58
Hamburger, rstd. or corned beef, meat & gravy	128	334	130	309	222	654	239	572
Soups	601	1,170	512	2,593	626	4,613	701	6,909
Sausage in oil	113	84	80	88	117	101	99	80
Tripe	--	36	--	69	--	48	--	69
Brains	--	26	--	48	--	41	--	40
Canned loins and picnics . .	556	10	523	4	418	91	456	11
All other with meat and/or meat byproducts -								
20% or more	171	1,318	151	2,056	124	1,919	186	2,678
Less than 20%	227	3,260	310	2,812	395	4,992	316	3,364
Total	8,464	17,382	8,780	24,749	10,107	28,727	11,299	30,226

Note: See footnote at bottom of page 820.

UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF MEATS

Commodity	Aug. 1962	Aug. 1961
EXPORTS (Domestic) -	Pounds	Pounds
Beef and veal -		
Fresh or frozen (except canned)	871,348	963,456
Pickled or cured (except canned)	1,404,292	1,291,692
Pork -		
Fresh or frozen (except canned)	3,189,746	2,888,357
Hams and shoulders, cured or cooked	293,693	427,939
Bacon	557,330	441,113
Pork, pickled, salted or otherwise cured	1,293,005	1,277,139
Sausage, prep. sausage meats, etc. (exc. canned)	155,436	111,156
Other meat and meat products (except canned)	75,192	34,049
Beef and pork livers, fresh or frozen	4,209,341	5,099,330
Beef tongues, fresh or frozen	2,451,323	2,984,162
Other variety meats, (edible offal) ex. cnd.	2,925,931	2,849,386
Meat specialties, frozen, n.e.c.	193,009	418,194
Canned meats -		
Beef and veal	150,211	114,389
Sausage, prep. sausage meats, etc.	85,382	48,640
Hams and shoulders	33,204	42,928
Other pork canned	42,981	65,492
Other meat and meat products	90,763	94,851
Lamb and mutton (except canned)	35,810	115,371
Lard (includes rendered pork fat)	34,511,909	22,110,282
Shortenings, chief wt. animal fat (excl. lard)	171,042	255,815
Tallow, edible	210,502	322,357
Tallow, inedible	122,446,361	127,846,835
Inedible animal oils, n. e. c.	771,126	366,590
Inedible animal greases and fats, n. e. c.	13,126,451	21,295,254

Compiled from official records, Bureau of the Census.

UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF LIVESTOCK

	Aug. 1962	Aug. 1961
Cattle (for breeding) -	Number	Number
Dairy	342	532
Ex. dairy	434	317
Other (ex. for breeding).	143	258
Hogs	119	311
Sheep	106	507

Compiled from official records, Bureau of the Census.

Number of Cattle and Calves from Canada and Mexico Passed for Entry into the United States
Aug. 1962 with comparisons
USDA - ARS - Animal Inspection and Quarantine Division

Month and period	Canada		Mexico	
	1962	1961	1962	1961
	Head	Head	Head	Head
Aug.	21,978	59,886	16,547	11,061
Jan.-Aug.	175,996	180,655	415,254	297,462

Note: During Jan.-Aug. this year 2,865 sheep and 2,365 hogs were received from Canada compared with 1,031 sheep and 12,895 hogs a year ago.

CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED - OCTOBER 1, 1962

SUMMARY

On October 1 there were 6,133,000 head of cattle and calves on feed in the 28 major feeding States, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This was 8 percent more than the 5,673,000 head on feed in these States October 1, 1961, up slightly from the 6,103,000 head on feed July 1. The number of cattle weighing less than 900 pounds more than offset decreases in heavier weight groups and accounted for all of the increase over a year earlier.

In the 26 feeding States there were 6,059,000 head on feed, compared with 5,597,000 on October 1 last year. The small July-September gain is in contrast to declines of 9 in 1960 and 4 percent in 1961.

A breakdown of the October 1 number on feed in the 28 States by weight groups shows sharp increases over a year earlier in cattle weighing less than 900 pounds, while those above 900 pounds showed decreases. The number weighing under 500 pounds totaled 539,000 head, up 36 percent from a year earlier; the 500-699 pound group totaled 1,270,000 head, up 18 percent; and the 700-899 pound group of 2,304,000 head was up 13 percent. The number on feed weighing 900-1,099 pounds totaled 1,738,000 head, a decrease of 4 percent from last year. Cattle weighing 1,100 pounds and over, at 282,000 head, were down 21 percent from a year earlier.

The number of steers and steer calves in the 28 States, 4,328,000 head, exceeded the 4,015,000 head on October 1 last year by 8 percent. Heifer and heifer calves totaled 1,777,000 head, an increase of 9 percent over a year earlier. Cows and others on feed at 28,000 head, were down 15 percent from the same date last year.

The number on feed less than 3 months totaled 3,507,000 head in the 28 States, up 11 percent from a year earlier. The 3-6 month group at 1,401,000 head and the 6-month and over group at 1,225,000 head were up 6 and 3 percent respectively.

Indications are that cattle feeders in 28 States intend to market 3,346,000 head of the October 1 number on feed during October, November, and December. If intentions are carried out, marketings from the October 1 inventory during the fourth quarter will be 2 percent greater than the comparable period last year. A breakdown by months of anticipated marketings during the fourth quarter shows 34 percent to be marketed in October, 31 percent in November, and 35 percent in December. Expected marketings as published are based upon the usual relationship between survey data and actual marketings.

Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings, July 1 to October 1

Item	26 States			28 States 2/
	1961	1962		1962
	Number	Number	% of 1961	Number
	1,000 head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 head
Cattle and calves on feed, July 1...	5,822	6,040	104	6,103
Cattle and calves placed on feed, July 1-September 30 1/.....	3,239	3,588	111	3,634
Total fed cattle marketed July 1 - September 30 1/.....	3,464	3,569	103	3,604
Cattle and calves on feed, October 1	5,597	6,059	108	6,133

1/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter. 2/ 26 States plus Georgia and Alabama.

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Cattle and calves on feed by quarters,
October 1, 1961, July 1 and October 1, 1962 with comparisons 1/

State	Oct. 1, 1961	July 1, 1962	Oct. 1, 1962	Oct. 1, 1962 as percent of Oct. 1, 1961
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
Pennsylvania	50	50	46	92
Ohio	103	120	124	120
Indiana	121	120	131	108
Illinois	420	465	437	104
Michigan	67	95	87	130
Wisconsin	79	73	75	95
Minnesota	297	353	318	107
Iowa	1,193	1,427	1,181	99
Missouri	172	180	170	99
North Dakota	70	85	60	86
South Dakota	200	246	198	99
Nebraska	617	511	589	95
Kansas	243	202	264	109
North Central States	3,582	3,877	3,634	101
Georgia	53	48	52	98
Alabama	23	15	22	96
Oklahoma	63	46	58	92
Texas	219	216	325	148
Montana	44	32	27	61
Idaho	78	75	95	122
Wyoming	18	21	19	106
Colorado	324	359	359	111
New Mexico	47	54	55	117
Arizona	205	250	266	130
Utah	37	33	37	100
Nevada	11	5	8	73
Washington	113	94	122	108
Oregon	50	40	59	118
California	756	888	949	126
Western States	1,683	1,851	1,996	119
26 State Total	5,597	6,040	6,059	108
28 State Total 2/	5,673	6,103	6,133	108

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals being fattened for the slaughter market on grain or other concentrates which are expected to produce a carcass that will grade good or better.
2/ Includes 26 States plus Georgia and Alabama.

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